

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroto HORIKAWA

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 09/327,621

Examiner: P. Kim

Filed: June 8, 1999

Docket No.: 101809.03

For: STAGE UNIT, DRIVE TABLE, AND SCANNING EXPOSURE APPARATUS USING  
THE SAME

**AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the May 16, 2003 Final Rejection, the shortened statutory period for reply  
being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, and after entry of the Request  
for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**

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